

REMARKS

The Office Action requires restriction of the claims to one of the following:

Group I, claims 1-7, drawn to a polynucleotide encoding a serine protease polypeptide;

Group II, claim(s) 8-10, drawn to a serine protease polypeptide;

Group III, claim(s) 11 and 12, drawn to an antibody to a serine protease polypeptide;

Group IV, claim 13, in part, drawn to a method for identifying a modulator of a non-enzymatic function of a serine protease polypeptide;

Group V, claim 13, in part, drawn to an in vitro method for inhibiting a modulator of the activity of a serine protease polypeptide;

Group VI, claim 13, in part, drawn to a cellular method for identifying a modulator of the activity of a serine protease polypeptide;

Group VII, claim(s) 18-19, drawn to an in vitro method for identifying a binding partner of a serine protease polypeptide; and

Group VIII, claim 20, drawn to a cellular method for identifying a binding partner of a serine protease polypeptide.

In response, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-7, without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) on the non-elected claims.

Early consideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested. Should the Office require anything further, it is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application of: Darrow et al. Mailed: June 6, 2005
Entitled: Human PRSS-11 Like S2 Serine Protease
and Uses Thereof
THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE U.S. PATENT OFFICE ON THE DATE STAMPED HEREON:

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☐ Extension of Time

☐ Issue Fee Transmittal

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